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Remarks

The present application has been reviewed in light of the final Office Action dated July 27, 2007 and the Advisory Action dated October 17, 2007. By the foregoing amendments, claims 1-7 and 16 are canceled without prejudice, and claim 8 is amended and rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (i.e., claim 1 in the original form). Accordingly, claims 8-15 are pending after the amendments. Applicant submits that no new matter is added by the amendments, and supports for the amendments can be found from throughout the specification, drawings, and claims as originally filed.

According to the final Office Action of July 27, 2007, claims 1-7 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)/102(e) over Berstis (US Pat. No. 6,721,001) in view of Endo (US Pat. No. 6,633,182) and Anderson (US Pat. No. 6,683,649), and claims 8-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) /102(e) over Berstis in view of Endo and Anderson, and further in view of Nakamura (US 2004/0019681). Claims 13-15, however, are again indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In our previous response to the final Office Action, Applicant submitted that Nakamura (US 2004/0019681), which was cited to reject claims 8-12, was not a pertinent prior art under U.S.C. 102(e) because the effective date of Nakamura as reference is later than the effective date of the present invention for the 102(e) consideration. In rely to this, the present Advisory Action suggests the date of invention of the instant application is to be considered to be the effective U.S filing date (namely, September 18, 2003, but not September 22, 2003 as indicated in the Advisory Action (page 2), as shown in the enclosed copy of the filing receipt), because Applicant has failed to submit proper evidence, namely, an English translation of the

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certified copy of the original foreign application (KR 10-2002-0057332). As acknowledged by the Office, the actual certified copy of the original Korean patent application (KR 10-2002-0057332) was duly submitted before at the time filing the present application.

In response to the Advisory Action, Applicant encloses hereto an English translation of the Korean priority application (KR 10-2002-0057332) along with a Certification of Translation verifying accuracy of the translation, in order to obviate the outstanding rejection of claims 8-12 and to ensure that the effective date of the present invention for 102(e) consideration is to be the foreign priority date of Sep. 19, 2002 which is earlier than the effective date of Nakamura as reference, namely, July 17, 2003 as previously submitted. Applicant further submits that the present application does not include any new matter over the contents disclosed by the Korean priority application.

Moreover, by the foregoing amendments, claims 8-15 (including the alreadyallowed claims 13-15) are rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (i.e., claim 1) and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, in view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, claims 8-15 as amended are patentable over the references of record and in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. In addition, if the Examiner has any further objections or rejections in connection with this application, Applicant sincerely asks the examiner to call the undersigned attorney in order to resolve this case in a timely manner.

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